



Once in a Lifetime Excursion to Myanmar

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We proudly offer luxurious river cruise trips managed by "Ayravata Cruise Company"

(1) RV Paukan 2007 (a newly built Charming Cruising Boutique Hotel)

PASSENGERS: 55

CABINS: 29 WITH PRIVATE BATHROOM AND SHOWER

UPPER DECK: 14 DELUXE (6 DOUBLE, 8 TWIN) * 21 SQ.MT./226 SQ. FT.

MAIN DECK: 10 SUPERIOR TWINS * 15 SQ.MT./161 SQ. FT.

LOWER DECK: 3 SINGLE FOR GUESTS:10 SQMT / 107 SQ. FT.

LOUNGE & BAR ON THE SUNDECK/SOLARIUM (CAPACITY 35 SEATS)

DINING ROOM ON THE MAIN DECK (CAPACITY: 56 SEATS)

MESSAGE ROOM 2 ON THE LOWER DECK

(2) RV Paukan 2012 (A small cruising boutique hotel);

PASSENGERS: 34

CABINS 18 WITH PRIVATE BATHROOM

UPPER DECK: 6 DOUBLE DELUXE WITH BALCONY * 25 SQ.MT / 270 SQ. FT

MAIN DECK: 8 TWIN DELUXE WITH FRENCH BALCONY * 23 SQ.MT./250 SQ. FT.

LOWER DECK: 2 SINGLE FOR GUIDES/TL: 8 SQ MT / 86 SQ. FT.

DINING ROOM ON THE MAIN DECK (CAPACITY: 34 SEATS)

LOUNGE & BAR ON THE UPPER DECK (CAPACITY 16 SEATS INDOOR AND 15 OUTDOOR)

SOLARIUM ON SUN / ROOF DECK (CAPACITY: 16 SUN CHAIRS)

(3) RV Paukan1947 (an original Scottish made Colonial Steamer formerly known as Rv Pandaw).

CABINS: 16 DELUXE CABINS WITH OWN SHOWER/WC (BERTHS 32)

DINING ROOM 1 (32 SEATS)

Program: RV1: Yangon stopover with Golden Myanmar (13days/12nights)

Day 01: Arrival Yangon (by morning/ midday flight)

Upon arrival to Yangon by morning/ midday flight, you will be welcomed by tour guides and transferred to hotel. You will be arranged on the trip planning depending upon your arrival time. In the afternoon orientation tour of the city ending with the visit of the most enchanting and spectacular Pagoda of Myanmar: **the Shwedagon**. Overnight stay at Chatrium Hotel or similar. Lunch at restaurant and dinner at Hotel.

DAY 2: YANGON – PROME (PYAY)

Depart to Prome by coach from the Yangon meeting point at 07.00 am. Once controlled by the Mon during the Bagan Era and then conquered by the Burmese King Alaungpaya in the 1754, this quiet town boomed along with the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company in the 1890’s and it is now an important trading post. In the afternoon we drive to Thayekhittaya (also known as Sri Ksetra, the “Fabulous city” in Pali language), an ancient Pyu city that ruled in this area between the 5th and the 9th century AD. In central Prome if time allows we visit the impressive Shwesandaw Pagoda complex, one of the most important Buddhist pilgrimage site of Myanmar, and the Wunchataung Paya (Apology Mountain Pagoda) a vantage point of the Shwesandaw Pagoda and the surrounding mountains.

DAY 3: THAYETMYO

Early Morning exploration of Thayetmyo: the oldest golf course of Myanmar, the market and the old colonial houses. Proceed cruising upstream. Moor overnight off Minhla.

DAY 4: ITALIAN FORTS – MAGWE

In the morning we reach Minhla by local boat. Visit the fort built by two Italian Military Engineers for the Burmese King in order to keep the British at bay from Royal Myanmar at the time of the 2nd Anglo-

Burmese War. We arrive at Magwe in the afternoon. Visit Myat Than Lun Paya, a 1929 built pagoda of gold solid bricks set on a hilltop with a beautiful view of the river.

DAY 5: *MAGWE*

Visit the Magwe picturesque market by trishaw. Sail all day upstream.

DAY 6: *SALAY & TAN KYI MOUNTAIN*

Visit Salay, a village founded in the 13th century with Bagan-era shrines, beautiful 19th century teak monasteries and preserved British colonial buildings. Continue Upstream to the village of Tan Kyi. Drive to the mountaintop where stands one of the four stupas that marked the original edges of the city and enjoy a marvelous sunset over Bagan plain.

DAY 7: *BAGAN*

Full day visit of a selection of the 2,000 listed pagodas and temples. Lunch on board and in the afternoon continue the exploration of the archeological area. Dinner on board or in a local restaurant. Overnight on board.

DAY 8: *BAGAN – RIVER VILLAGE*

Explore some of Bagan's local markets selling wood carvings, fabrics, longyis and rattan products .Visit a workshop to see the ancient technique of lacquerware making. Alternatively passengers can hire a horse cart or a bicycle and explore the site on their own or have a splendid Balloon Flight over Bagan (surcharge applied – optional). Back to the ship around Noon and cast off. We cruise upstream all day. Stop at Shwe Pyi Thar village for a walk. Dinner followed by a Puppet Show performance in the village or sundeck.

DAY 9: *YANDABO*

In the morning we arrive at Yandabo, a picturesque village that specializes in Pot-Making, where the peace treaty of the First Anglo-Burmese war signed on Feb. 24, 1826. We go ashore for a walk stopping at some pot-making workshops and to visit the school and the monastery. We cruise upstream the rest of the day, moor overnight at Myin Mu jetty.

DAY 10: *MONYWA (HPOWINDAUNG AND SHWEBADAUNG CAVES)*

Early morning drive by coach (approx. 1 ½ hours) to Monywa to visit the Hpowindaung and Shwebadaung caves where hundreds of Buddha Statues are placed inside niches decorated with wonderful mural paintings dated back to the 14th Century. After lunch we visit the splendid **Sambuddhai Kat Kyaw pagoda** with its more than 500,000 Buddha images. Drive to Sagaing (2hours) where we will rejoin the ship. Cruise upstream. Dinner and overnight on board.

DAY 11: *MINGUN – AVA – AMARAPURA*

After an early breakfast visit **Mingun** the unfinished pagoda, the largest working bell in the world and the “home for the aged”. After lunch we explore **Ava** by horse-cart visiting the beautiful 200 year old teak **Bagaya Kyaung Monastery**, **Nanmyin watchtower** (27mt. high) and the **Me Nu Ok Kyaung monastery**. We travel then by sampan and coach to **Amarapura**, the penultimate Burmese Royal Capital (1783) to visit **U-Bein Bridge** at sunset. We will enjoy dance and theatre performance on the Sundeck.

DAY 12: *CENTRAL MANDALAY – DISEMBARK GAWEIN JETTY and (Mandalay– Yangon)*

After breakfast, disembark at Gawein Jetty and transfer to airport for the flight to Yangon. Check in to the Chatrium Hotel or similar. Dinner at Hotel

DAY 13: Yangon Departure

The last day in Myanmar to say goodbye to this beautiful golden country. You will be transferred from your hotel to the airport for your onward.

Pricing: Please contact Exquizit Travel LLC for availability and pricing of complete tours inclusive of pre and post cruise trip.

Visa Requirements:

All people entering Myanmar requires visa which must be obtained from Embassy of Union of Myanmar. Please check with the Embassy in your country for up to date information regarding visa application process. We strongly advise you to start arranging your visa process at least 45 days prior to your departure.

Health Issues and Travel Insurance:

We recommend travelers to have vaccinations in advance of travel. We also suggest you consult with your doctor to discuss about your health care needs specific to your holiday. You must be comprehensively insured as condition of travelling with Exquizit Travel. Travelers need to purchase coverage includes but not limited as for personal accident and medical expense, evacuation and repatriation, baggage loss and cancellation or curtailment of the tour.

Pre and post tour arrangements:

If you would like to book pre or post tour arrangement on hotel additional to the program, please either contact Exquizit Travel (info@exquizittravel.com) or your local travel agents.

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